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Chapter 1281 Mediation

On the flip side, Jared was sitting in front of the Norton residence as time ticked away. By then, there were already four bodies of the Norton family members by his feet.

Another hour was almost up. Everyone in the Norton family was drenched in sweat as they shivered. None knew who Jared was going to target next when the time was up.

It was as if they had blindfolds on their faces as the grim reaper chose its next victim, and that was the scariest thing they had to face in their life.

In the meantime, more and more people gathered to watch the show.

“It looks like David has chickened out. His people are dying, but he doesn’t even dare to show himself.”

“A Martial Arts Marquis, he calls himself! He’s worse than a pile of crap!”

“Jared’s going to be famous after this. He’s young and undefeatable!”

The crowd chattered away.

In contrast, Jared had his eyes closed in a silent rest. It was as though he did not hear them talk.

All of a sudden, he opened his eyes.

At that, the Nortons quickly took steps back in fear.

They knew that time was up, and Jared was about to kill again.

Jared slowly rose to his feet and looked toward them. “Your master has abandoned you, so there is no point for you to live anymore.”

Hearing what he said, the Nortons went on their knees and begged for him to spare their lives.

Dignity meant nothing in the face of death.

However, there was no pity in Jared's eyes. He would not spare any pity for those who went against him.

Any pity he had for others was cruelty toward himself.

If he were to end up in their hands, he was certain that none of them would pity him.

Just as Jared was about to pick his targets, a car sped toward him.

David jumped out of his car and shouted, "Stop! Jared Chance, stop!"

Seeing him, Jared curled his lips. "You've finally come."

Yet, to his surprise, David ignored Jared as he quickly opened the car door to let Mr. Sanders out of the car.

Upon seeing the latter, Jared furrowed his brows.

Similarly, the crowd around them was astounded as they began discussing among themselves again.

"Darn, did David just cowardly seek help from Mr. Sanders so that Mr. Sanders can put a stop to this?"

"Jared has Mr. Sanders' support. Why did David invite Mr. Sanders here? Is he trying to make peace with Jared?"

"He's the head of the Norton family and a Martial Arts Marquis, but he's been forced to a corner by a young man!"

The discussing voices were loud, and David could hear that they were all mocking him.

Nevertheless, he was unfazed. What he needed most was to preserve his power for now.

"Mr. Sanders, why did you come?" Jared asked.

"David invited me here, hoping that I'd convince you to give up on the challenge. He wants to make peace with you. The Norton family will agree to

any of your requests as long as you don't seek trouble with them anymore," Mr. Sanders told him.

"Make peace with me?" Jared sneered. "Why didn't he talk about making peace with me when he shattered my elixir field and destroyed my bones and muscles? Why didn't he talk about making peace with me when he killed the dozens of people at the Village of Villains? Now, he wants to make peace with me? It's too late."

"It's true that the Norton family has made mistakes in the past, Jared, especially in terms of what my son has done to you. I'll be stricter with him. As long as you promise not to find trouble with the Nortons anymore, I'll give you anything you want," David humbly said to Jared in front of the crowd.

"I need nothing but your life; I want the Norton family to disappear from Jadeborough."

As Jared spoke, a murderous aura exuded from him.

David frowned before he gritted his teeth. "Must you fight me to death, Jared? I can't say for sure who will emerge as victor if we really fight, but I know that the ones who will gain the most will be the other families!"

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Chapter 1282 I Might Kill You

"Don't worry. You'll be the one who dies," Jared uttered firmly. David was infuriated, but he could not utter a word in response. Instead, he turned toward Mr. Sanders, hoping the latter would back him up.

"Jared, what if I don't allow you to challenge the Norton family?" Mr. Sanders asked Jared. At that, Jared was filled with a murderous aura. "In that case, I won't challenge them. However, I'll still kill everyone in the Norton family. Even if that means I'll get punished by the officials, I don't care."

As soon as those words fell, everyone at the scene was stunned. He's publicly challenging Mr. Sanders' authority! Who else would dare to challenge the officials? Is he sick of living?

“Are you not worried that I might kill you?” Mr. Sanders asked in a cold tone.

Jared shook his head. “Before you kill me, I’ll send all the Nortons to hell first.”

Everyone then turned toward Mr. Sanders to see how he would respond to Jared’s words.

Even so, they were in awe that the latter would have the courage to utter such words.

After keeping mum for a while, Mr. Sanders suddenly turned toward David and said, “See? I told you he’s a stubborn one. He would never listen to me. There’s nothing I can do.”

With that, Mr. Sanders turned around and left. Although it seemed he had taken merely two steps, he disappeared from the scene in an instant.

When Mr. Sanders was nowhere in sight, David’s face fell. He did not expect Jared to have the balls to undermine Mr. Sanders in public. Mr. Sanders is the face of the officials! By doing what he did just now, wouldn’t that be undermining the officials as a whole?

One thing for sure was that after witnessing what had happened, everyone knew what Jared meant to Mr. Sanders. Had it been someone else, he would kill them on the spot!

“Jared, are you sure you want to drag me to hell with you?” After Mr. Sanders left, David had no choice but to speak to Jared directly.

“Who said anything about going down to hell with you? You’re not in the position to talk to me as if we’re equal!” Jared’s eyes were filled with disdain.

Upon hearing that, David roared, “You’re too much, Jared. Do you think I’m scared of you? I’m just worried that the other sects and families would create trouble. Otherwise, I would’ve killed you already!”

Jared chuckled coldly in response. “No one’s going to create trouble because I’ll annihilate the whole Norton family. After that, everything the Nortons own will be mine. Whoever dares to snatch with me will become my enemy!”

As he was challenging the entire martial arts world of Jadeborough, he sounded domineering.

“Fine. Let’s find out exactly how capable you are!” With that, a terrifying aura radiated from David, and his horrifying martial energy was looming over the place.

When the crowd saw that, everyone immediately backed away. Two Martial Arts Marquises are about to fight! We ought to stay out of the way!

David reached out both his hands and charged at Jared’s chest.

The latter didn’t budge an inch. His body started glowing, and pieces of golden scales started to cover all over his body.

With those golden scales, Jared’s body looked even brighter.

David was amazingly quick. When he tried to sink his grip into Jared’s chest, however, the latter had already activated Golem Body.

If it were a few days prior, Jared would not have been able to react in time.

Slash!

David’s fingers were even tougher than steel, and yet he could not hurt Jared when he tried to attack the latter’s chest. In fact, he could not even break through Jared’s Golem Body.

Those golden scales were still fully intact, and they were all covering Jared’s body in an orderly manner.

“How could that be?” David was utterly stupefied. When I struck him a few days ago, Jared’s Golem Body almost got destroyed! The scales were dropping, and the shield dimmed!

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Chapter 1283 Blood Poison

That day, however, he could not hurt Jared at all. In fact, he could not even break through Jared’s Golem Body. “You can’t even break my Divine Safeguard. How are you planning on killing me?” Jared scoffed coldly.

David gritted his teeth and screamed, causing a cloud of blood mist to form in the air. Quickly, the blood mist gathered in David's palms.

David's palms were blood-red as if he had just dipped his hands in a pool of blood.

That was David's ultimate skill—Bloody Hands.

David then jumped into the air and charged toward Jared.

Seeing that, Jared activated the Power of Dragons, and his palms started glowing.

No matter what, David was still a legendary Martial Arts Marquis. Since Jared had just achieved Martial Arts Marquis, he did not dare to underestimate David's ability.

“Sacred Light Fist!” Jared shouted, and a ray of light shot out from his palms.

The light was so bright that it could be compared to the brightness of sunlight.

Boom!

Upon impact, David stumbled a couple of steps backward.

Jared, on the other hand, remained still. In fact, he did not even shake.

Just like that, the gap of strengths between the both of them was exposed.

The crowd was staring at Jared in disbelief.

“Wow! Jared is scary!”

“He's still so young, yet he has the upper hand against a legendary Martial Arts Marquis! This is incredible!”

“Gifted! Jared is truly gifted!”

The crowd voiced their opinions. None of them expected Jared to dominate David completely.

Initially, they thought Jared and David were about the same strength, and they would witness the battle of the century.

In fact, they thought the battle would last over a hundred rounds.

However, as of the moment, they realized they were wrong.

David's expression turned grim. Based on that move, I can feel how much he has grown. His strength has possibly grown more than tenfolds!

Since Jared had broken through a level entirely, it was only normal for his strength to grow that fast.

Somewhere nearby, Skylar's expression also turned gloomy when he saw how David had been knocked back by Jared's move. When will I be as strong as Jared?

Right then, a hoarse and croaky voice rang out in Skylar's mind. This kid is gifted all right, but don't you worry. I'll make you gifted as well!

Upon hearing that voice in his mind, Skylar flashed a smile.

Although David was staring at Jared with a grim expression, he did not attack Jared. It was as if he was waiting for something to happen.

Seeing that David was not attacking, Jared decided to make his move.

The moment Jared moved, he felt something was wrong.

The golden scales on Jared's body were all turning red because of the blood mist.

At the same time, the blood mist had also invaded Jared's body, and his body was turning red as well.

Upon seeing that, the crowd was stunned.

Suddenly, David laughed and said, "Jared, you've indeed gotten stronger. However, I've used Blood Poison on you, and you're going to die soon!"

Apparently, the blood mist David summoned was poisonous. Although people were not allowed to use poison in a combat challenge, no one cared because it was life-or-death combat.

Jared stared daggers at David. He did not expect the latter would resort to using poison.

“Stop looking at me like that, will you? Weren’t you very confident in yourself? Didn’t you say I won’t be able to kill you?” David was filled with satisfaction.

Jared did not say a word in response. Instead, he utilized Focus Technique and absorbed Blood Poison into his body.

When David saw Blood Poison getting absorbed into Jared’s body, he secretly heaved a sigh of relief. Once Blood Poison gets into his body, not even God can save him!

However, what he did not know was that Jared had turned the Blood Poison into his own resource.

When he utilized Focus Technique on Blood Poison, it transformed into spiritual energy and was stored in Jared’s elixir field.

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Chapter 1284 Showing Off

David was elated when he saw the red color on Jared’s body slowly turning lighter. Jared is going to die very soon! I want everyone to witness it!

In the next moment, Jared started glowing again. He had fully absorbed the Blood Poison. “Blood Poison, you say? Great stuff!”

Jared’s eyes brimmed with greed, and a blast of aura burst out from his body.

When that happened, David and the crowd were utterly stunned.

No one knew what had happened. We literally saw his body getting invaded by Blood Poison! How is he still all right? Besides, his aura has gotten even stronger!

“Y-You’re not afraid Blood Poison?” David looked at Jared in disbelief.

Plastering a smirk on his face, Jared answered, “I forgot to tell you I’m the lord of Medicine God Sect. Did you think I would be afraid of Blood Poison?”

Upon hearing that, David was shocked, as he did not know Jared was associated with the Medicine God Sect.

However, some people were aware of this. After all, the Medicine God Sect had been abiding by Jared's orders.

"We've forgotten that Jared is Lord of Medicine God Sect! Everyone knows what the Medicine God Sect is all about. How could Jared possibly be scared of poison?"

"David was showing off to the wrong person. He's doomed!"

"Whoa, I wonder what other positions Jared holds."

The crowd chattered away in a low tone.

Yet, no one knew the fact that Jared was not affected by Blood Poison was not because he was Lord of Medicine God Sect.

He just did not want anyone to know he was utilizing Focus Technique.

David's expression turned gloomy. Things are going to get tricky today. Since Jared isn't affected by Blood Poison, it seems like I have to go all out with him!

"What other abilities do you have?" Jared clenched his golden fists.

Right then, a golden dragon appeared and started circling Jared's arms. That was the Power of Dragons at its peak.

"Sacred Light Fist!" Jared yelled before throwing a punch at David.

The golden dragon roared as it charged toward David.

Suddenly, a strong gust of wind started blowing, and an unlimited amount of spiritual energy, like daggers, surrounded David's body.

In a state of panic, David kept unleashing his martial energy to build a protective shield around his body.

Clank! Clank!

David gritted his teeth as he defended himself.

All of a sudden, a strong force struck David's chest, and he was sent flying away.

Thump!

David's body slammed hard onto the ground, forming a huge crater.

Everyone was staring at Jared in terror, not believing what they had just witnessed. The power he packed in that single punch is crazy!

"Dad!"

"Mr. Norton!"

Skylar and the members of the Norton family rushed toward David and helped him up.

Blood was streaming down the corners of David's mouth, his face pale.

"All of you, get back!" David was angered, and he shoved Skylar aside.

Taking two steps forward, David glared at Jared and took a deep breath. After that, he slammed his own chest.

Instantly, he spat out a mouthful of blood.

David then quickly swung his arms in the air. It was as if he was about to activate some sort of magecraft.

Shortly after, waves and waves of terrifying aura began to rise. The blood David spat out became a blood mist.

He then suddenly opened his mouth, sucking the blood mist into his body.

"You forced me, Jared. I'm going to kill you!" David widened his eyes in rage, his body expanding.

Soon, David's entire body turned red as if he were made of blood.

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Chapter 1285 Blood Demon Seal

While David was swinging his arms in the air, a huge red mark was formed. “Even if I have to sacrifice all I have, I’ll kill you!” David’s expression darkened as the red mark glowed brighter and brighter.

“Has David gone mad? How could he start burning his own blood essence?” “I think David knows that’s the only way he could stand a chance against Jared!”

“True. Since there’s nothing else he could do, I think David wants to die with Jared.”

The crowd was surprised when they saw what David was doing.

After all, it was not easy for a person to cultivate and become a Martial Arts Marquis. In order to become a legendary Martial Arts Marquis like David, the journey was even tougher.

Hence, most people would not want to burn their own blood essence that they had spent their lives cultivating.

“That’s David’s Blood Demon Seal! He’s using his blood essence to summon a blood demon for battle!”

“But if he uses this magecraft, he’ll either die or become incapacitated.”

“Jared is in trouble, it seems.”

The ones who recognized the magecraft David had utilized made their comments.

When the others heard it, they all widened their eyes and watched closely. None of them wanted to miss out on such an epic battle.

Upon seeing the red mark on David’s hands growing brighter, Jared furrowed his brows slightly. Somehow, I can feel the deadly aura inside that mark. It’s as if there’s an evil demon inside there, waiting to strike.

Soon, the red mark grew increasingly bigger. In the end, the marking became so bright that it became a mirror.

Inside it, there was a beast with a mouthful of teeth, and it was roaring.

The crowd was in disbelief. No one had ever seen David utilizing the Blood Demon Seal.

“I’m willing to sacrifice my blood. Please give me unlimited power!” David shouted at the beast in the marking.

Suddenly, the beast broke the marking and charged out of it.

The crowd was frightened. The timid ones had even run away.

There was blood dripping from the beast’s body, and it was exuding a terrifying aura. Consequently, the people at the scene were having difficulty breathing.

“Kill him!” David pointed at Jared. He then bit the tip of his finger and flicked a drop of blood onto the beast’s forehead.

Roar!

After letting out a roar, the beast glared at Jared.

The next instant, it flew into the sky before charging at the man.

Boom!

With its huge body, the beast made its way toward Jared.

The smell of blood and the murderous aura filled the air. The beast then leaped into the air again and brought upon a tornado filled with the stench of blood. With no hints of stopping, the tornado charged at Jared.

Compared to the beast, Jared’s body looked incredibly tiny.

While Jared was looking at the giant beast, his body was constantly glowing. The draconic essence in his body was unleashing the Power of Dragons.

Jared then gathered the Power of Dragons, unleashing it at once.

The Power of Dragons formed a golden dragon, and the dragon was circling above Jared’s head.

When the crowd saw that, they were once again stupefied.

As the beast was charging toward Jared, the dragon on top of his head let out a roar before charging at the beast.

Everyone could see that the golden dragon had slightly startled the beast when it was charging toward the latter.

Boom!

Eventually, the golden dragon crashed into the beast.

In a split second, loud blasts sounded as the earth quaked.

The energy generated when the golden dragon crashed into the beast was nothing two Martial Arts Marquises could ever generate.

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Chapter 1286 Escape Silently

The enormous wave of energy spread in all directions. The ones who thought they had backed away far enough were sent flying when the energy hit them, while the weaker ones were killed instantly, their bodies ground into pieces.

They were just there to catch a glimpse of a good show. No one expected they would end up dying. Gritting his teeth, Jared braced himself in the face of the horrifying wave of energy. David, on the other hand, was sent stumbling backward.

Bang! After the thunderous sound echoed, the scary beast flew up in the air as multiple flashes of lights erupted afterward. Just like that, the beast vanished into thin air.

Meanwhile, the golden dragon roared and went back inside Jared's body.

The latter let out a sigh. He, too, was surprised by what he had done. After achieving Nascent Soul, the Power of Dragons has gotten a lot stronger, too.

The crowd was staring at Jared in disbelief, gulping hard. David's Blood Demon Seal was activated by burning his blood essence. That's something he had been cultivating through the years! As for the beast, that was a representation of David's peak! Even so, he still didn't stand a chance against Jared!

“How is this possible? How could this be?” David was utterly devastated. I’ve already used up all my tricks, and I still failed to defeat Jared! His current strength is unlike a few days ago. Though he had only achieved his level, there seems to be a huge gap between my strength and his. There’s no way I can win against him.

“Is that all you’ve got?” Jared eyed David coldly.

David remained silent, but his aura was quickly depleting. As a result, he became an ordinary person.

His hair turned white, and he looked like an elderly man who was about to die.

In fact, he no longer looked like the head of a martial arts family, and he was no longer full of haughtiness.

Seeing that, everyone at the scene knew David was completely beaten.

As for the members of the Norton family, they were starting to panic because David’s defeat would mean their deaths were approaching.

Thud! Thud!

The members of the Norton family kneeled before Jared to beg for their lives. They were also begging David to save them.

When Skylar realized David had been beaten, a cold glint flashed across his eyes. After that, he silently made his way toward the courtyard.

Upon arriving there, he used the Norton residence’s secret tunnel to flee from the scene.

Seeing the members of the Norton family falling to their knees, David looked crushed and helpless.

“I’ve lost, Jared. Do whatever you want with me, but please let the others live. Please let my son live.” Knowing that he was going to die, David hoped that the rest of the Norton family could be spared.

“Do you think that’s possible? Did the Norton family spare the people of the Village of Villains back then? Dozens of them died for me. It’s my responsibility to avenge their deaths!” Jared’s eyes were filled with murderous intent. He was not going to spare anyone from the Norton family because they

all had blood on their hands. If I show them mercy, I'm being cruel to myself. Besides, there's no room for sympathy in the martial arts world. I'm no saint. Whoever dares to cross me shall die!

"I'm willing to give you all the resources and magical items the Norton family owns. I'll give you everything. All I ask for is that you spare my son." Without knowing that Skylar had already made his escape, David was still worried about the latter.

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Chapter 1287 Self Destruct

"It's funny how you're still so worried about your son, David! He has long abandoned you and ran off. I think he's probably long gone by now!" someone shouted among the spectating crowd.

Only then did David realize that Skylar had already fled. Jared just found out as well.

All this time, Jared had been focusing on David, and he did not pay much attention to Skylar. He never thought that the latter would scurry off.

When David noticed that his son had run away, instead of getting angry, he laughed out loud. "Well, at least the Norton family will still have survivors."

"It doesn't matter where your son ran off to, be it to the ends of the earth, for I will still take his life," Jared said in a cold tone, staring straight at David.

"You won't be able to kill my son because everyone here is going to die!" David roared maliciously.

What followed next was David's aura starting to swell as a bright light pierced through his skin and radiated out from his chest.

It came from the golden elixir that was located inside the body of a martial artist. Only when a martial artist reached the Martial Arts Marquis would they be able to cultivate the golden elixir. However, only one out of a hundred martial artists was capable of doing this.

Suddenly, a large force that could very well destroy everything in its vicinity started to condense onto the golden elixir in David's chest.

"David's a Martial Arts Marquis! He's going to self-destruct. Run!"

When the bystanders noticed that David was going to explode, they started to run for their lives.

Soon enough, the place was steered clear of bystanders. If a Martial Arts Marquis ever were to self-destruct, the explosion would be even greater than the detonation from a hundred tonnes worth of dynamite.

"I'm going to make sure that you die with me, Jared!" David bellowed.

Previously, David would rather get killed by Jared instead of opting for self-destruction. That was because Skylar and the Norton family were present.

If he were to self-destruct, no one from the Norton family would be able to live to tell the tale, not even Skylar.

Therefore, David would choose to die alone instead of self-destructing, even when there was a chance to bring Jared down as well.

However, things had taken a different turn. Since Jared was not planning on having mercy on the Norton family and Skylar had already escaped, David no longer had any other concerns.

"Bring me down with you?" A cold smile appeared on Jared's lips. "I won't get in your way of self-destructing, but I want to try if my body will be able to withstand the self-destruction of a Martial Arts Marquis."

Jared did not bother stopping David because he had already achieved Nascent Soul. As long as his Nascent Soul remained intact, Jared would be able to live.

It would not matter if his physical body was blown to pieces. He would still live.

His Nascent Soul was the root of his confidence. It was why he dared to try.

Jared's body gleamed brilliantly in gold as the Golem Body's potential had been maximized. The muscles around his entire body started to tense up as well.

“No, Mr. Norton, don’t!”

When all the members of the Norton family saw that David was about to self-destruct, they started to panic.

They wanted to stop David not because they did not want him to die, but because they did not want to be killed as well.

If David were to self-destruct, no one would be able to live.

The butler of the Norton family rushed up, preparing to stop David.

However, just as he rushed up to David, the latter slapped him so hard that his cranial bones shattered.

“As members of the Norton family, how dare all of you be so cowardly?” David seemed to have lost his mind as his eyes turned bloodshot.

Noticing that, the Norton family looked at each other in shock. Regardless, they decided to rush toward David all at once.

They wanted to stop him from self-destructing, for if David actually did it, they would definitely die.

Moreover, if David died alone, they would perhaps have a glimmer of hope with Jared.

It seemed like they were trying to kill David in order to get into Jared’s good books. They would do anything just to save their own lives.

When David saw all members of the Norton family rushing over like madmen, his body started trembling in anger.

He was so furious that he was speechless.

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Chapter 1288 Move Together

“Ahh!” David roared in fury as a bright light emitted from all parts of his body. Boom!

The ground shook violently as the surrounding buildings were instantly turned into dust.

Some members of the Norton family who had not reached David were instantly engulfed by the shock wave. Their bodies were immediately reduced to ashes.

Jared gritted his teeth as a huge wave of limitless energy passed over him.

He was hurled out of the area due to the impact.

The scales of the Golem Body started to fall off his body, and in the end, it was totally shattered to pieces.

Jared's body suffered an enormous amount of pressure, causing him to pass out.

It took a long while before Jared slowly opened his eyes, realizing his body was filled with injuries.

Even so, he was not in a critical state. However, everything within a hundred-meter radius from where David had been standing had been turned to ashes.

"The self-destruct of a Martial Arts Marquis is indeed powerful," Jared muttered as he observed his scarred body.

Meanwhile, at the Warriors Alliance in Jadeborough, Zion was having a meeting with members of other prominent families. There was a large screen in front of them, and on it was playing the scene of Jared fighting against David.

"Did you all see that? In just a few days, Jared has already achieved the rank of a Martial Arts Marquis. With that, he has been utterly transformed. If we don't destroy him soon, he will become a threat to us," Zion said with a grim expression.

"I've never imagined that Jared was able to improve so quickly. Did he dabble in the Demonic Cultivation?" Ryker was in disbelief. Before this, they had always looked down upon Jared. It had only been a few months, yet the latter had already dared to fight against David, a Martial Arts Marquis.

“I, too, suspect that Jared knows Demonic Cultivation,” another member added.

“That’s impossible.” Zion shook his head. “I’m sure Jared has other secrets hidden up his sleeve.”

He knew very well that Jared did not know anything about Demonic Cultivation. Otherwise, Zion would have already realized it.

“I thought that David had actually killed Jared. Seems like he was just bragging,” another member stated contemptuously.

“Since Jared is not dead, then we shall make a move. It was fortunate that the assassins I’ve hired had not left yet.”

Zion’s gaze darkened. “Jared has Mr. Sanders backing him up. We have to be flawless in our operation. If Mr. Sanders finds out, we will all be in the same boat. Therefore, we must move together.”

“Don’t worry, President Zeigler. Since we have all agreed to stand on the same side, we will definitely carry out the operation together,” another person piped up.

“Good. I can promise you that soon enough, the entire martial arts world in Jadeborough will be under the Warriors Alliance’s control.” A malicious smile appeared on Zion’s face.

Rumble...

It was right then that the ground under them started shaking as if there was an earthquake.

“What’s going on?” Zion asked with a frown.

The others quickly looked outside to see what was going on.

Suddenly, an elder from the Warriors Alliance rushed in. “President Ziegler, David has self-destructed.”

“Self-destructed?”

Everyone was instantly dumbfounded.

All of them knew very well how powerful the self-destruction of a Martial Arts Marquis could be.

“What are the casualties?” Zion asked.

If a Martial Arts Marquis self-destructed, the power and energy released were insurmountable. Everyone who was spectating would definitely get injured.

Moreover, if many people in Jadeborough’s martial arts world suddenly died, Zion, as the president of the Warriors Alliance, also had hold accountable for it.

“I’m not sure, but the bystanders had long left the venue. I’m guessing that David and Jared had perished in the fight. The Norton family is also probably already dead,” the elder replied.

“Go and check the situation out!” Zion roared.

With that, the elder quickly scurried off to do just that.

With a grim expression on his face, Zion then sat back down in his seat.

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Chapter 1289 Catch Him Alive

Zion never expected that Jared had actually forced David to the point of self-destruction. As a Martial Arts Marquis, it would take a lot for them to even consider self-destructing.

Moreover, Martial Arts Marquis had families as well. If they self-destructed, that would mean that their entire family would disappear off the face of the earth.

“It seems that Jared is definitely dead this time,” commented a head of a prominent family.

After all, if a Martial Arts Marquis self-destructed, everything within a hundred-meter radius would be destroyed as well.

“Let’s wait till the investigation is over. I have a feeling that Jared is still alive,” Ryker said faintly.

He knew Jared’s real identity. Moreover, if the latter’s sudden improvement was not due to Demonic Cultivation, then it would be related to the secret that Ryker was so desperately trying to find out.

He had locked his own sister up for more than twenty years just to know about the secret.

That secret could very well be hidden in Jared himself.

“That’s right. Let’s wait for the news. You are all dismissed.” Zion waved his hand, and the heads of the martial arts families got up to leave.

Soon after they left, seven men walked into the room.

They were all dressed in black, even their heads were covered by a black cloth. Only their eyes were revealed, but their gazes were dark and lifeless, just like a corpse’s. They did not even blink.

In front of the seven men in black, Zion took out a photo of Jared. As he was holding it in his hand, the photo suddenly started burning.

“Your target is this man. Make sure to catch him alive,” Zion ordered the seven men.

They nodded and walked out without uttering a single word.

The reason why Zion did not want to kill Jared and wanted to catch him alive was that he wanted the draconic essence within Jared.

When Jared was fighting against David, the golden dragon that was circling above the former’s head had left Zion utterly astonished.

Therefore, he changed his plans and decided to catch Jared alive. He planned to extract the draconic essence and then kill Jared.

In the meantime, Jared was currently staring at the ashes that were once David and the Norton family. He felt slightly bummed by what had happened.

David was a Martial Arts Marquis, for goodness' sake. If Jared was able to extract the golden elixir from David's body, it would help his cultivation a great deal.

However, now that David had been reduced to dust, the golden elixir had been destroyed as well.

The next step of the plan was to find Skylar, for he was the actual culprit.

"It doesn't matter where you run to. Be it to the ends of the earth, I will find you." Jared's eyes shone with determination.

Now that the Norton family was dead, there was still something left to do. It involved the massive amounts of resources and assets the Norton family had in Jadeborough.

Of course, there had to be someone to take over and manage them, but Jared did not have the time to do it. Hence, he needed to find someone to take care of that.

However, Jared had transferred the entire Shadow Estate over to the Village of Villains. As it was quite far from where the Norton residence was located, it would be borderline impossible for him to take over the Norton family's huge industry.

It was not suitable for the Baileys to take over as well. After all, the Bailey family was only in charge of simpler businesses. If they were to take over such a big industry, they probably would not know much about it, let alone manage it well.

Just as Jared was deep in thought, Howard's face suddenly popped into his mind.

The Dunn family was a famous martial arts family in Jadeborough. Moreover, Howard was a man of his word and was well-acquainted with Jared.

Therefore, Jared hoped that the Dunn family would be willing to reach out and take over the Norton family's business.

As for Lachlan, Jared trusted that the old man would not dare to try to harm him anymore.

With that, Jared turned and headed for the Dunn residence. However, he had just taken a few steps forward when he realized that someone was secretly observing him.

With his spiritual sense, Jared soon found out that an elder from the Warriors Alliance was spying on him.

Jared's lips twitched as he remained standing still as he called out in a cold voice, "It's not like the Warriors Alliance to be so sneaky. Since you're already here, come out right now."

The elder from the Warriors Alliance was taken by surprise upon hearing Jared. Regardless, he still walked out of his hiding spot cautiously.

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"Are you here to see if I'm dead or not?" Jared asked the elder from the Warriors Alliance.

There was a grim expression on the elder's face, but he still nodded nonetheless.

He did not dare to hide anything from Jared.

Moreover, Jared had just killed David. It would be easy for the former to do the same to him as well.

Jared was no longer the same as how he was a few months ago.

When Jared fought against Edgar a few months ago, the elders of the Warriors Alliance had looked down upon Jared. However, things had taken a turn, and they now had to respect Jared.

Anyone would have to humble themselves in front of true power.

"Tell Zion that I am alive and well. Tell him to prepare himself, for I will make a trip down to the Warriors Alliance personally." Jared smiled coldly at the elder's panicked expression.

With that, he turned around to leave. He did not bother fighting against the elder, for he needed the latter to pass the message to Zion.

Staring at Jared's leaving figure, the elder slowly breathed out a long sigh of relief.

"He's too terrifying," the elder muttered as he wiped the cold sweat off his brow. He then quickly turned around to leave as well.

The Dunn family no longer had its former glory.

As the Dunn family had always been enemies with the Norton family, ever since David was released, the prominent families that were supporting the Dunn family suddenly decided to switch over to the Norton family instead.

Lachlan sat in the hall as he observed how pathetic the Dunn residence looked. His eyes were filled with sorrow.

"Dad, David's dead. Jared killed him," Howard informed as he entered the room.

Lachlan was instantly taken aback by the sudden news.

He was the clearest when it came to David's capabilities. Even if he were to fight against the latter, it would be difficult to foretell who would win. Yet, David's chances of victory were slightly higher.

However, since Jared had killed David, that would mean that Lachlan would not be Jared's match at all.

Lachlan was immensely regretful at how greedy he was. He could not believe that he had wanted to kill Jared just because of the magical item that the latter possessed.

This matter was probably the one thing he would regret the most in his lifetime.

Lachlan knew that if it were not for Howard, Jared would have been knocking on their doors to kill them next, even though Jared had worked together with the Dunn family for a short while when he tried to kill the Norton family previously.

Regardless, Lachlan still deeply regretted what he did. If it were not for his greediness, the Dunn family would benefit greatly from the friendship between Jared and Howard.

Jared was not how he was a few months ago. He was already able to kill David. In just a split second, Jared had become the newest emerging star with the highest potential among the next generation.

However, because of Lachlan's greed, the Dunn family missed the golden chance of socializing with Jared.

Lachlan was well aware that, in the near future, Jared would definitely be as powerful as a giant, peering down at the entirety of Jadeborough's martial arts world, or even in Chanaea itself.

Just then, a servant of the Dunn family walked into the hall. "Old Mr. Dunn, Mr. Chance is here to see you."

"Mr. Chance?" Lachlan asked in confusion.

"It's Jared Chance. Mr. Dunn's friend," the servant replied.

Hearing that Jared had suddenly self-invited himself over, Lachlan bounced to his feet in shock. His heart started pounding furiously.

That was because he did not know the reason behind Jared's sudden arrival.

Jared had just killed David, and he's now suddenly here. Did he come to kill me?

Lachlan's face quickly turned pale at that thought.

"Dad, let's go out and have a look. I'm sure that Jared won't do anything to you," Howard stated in confidence.

Lachlan nodded. After all, all he could do at the moment was go out and see what Jared wanted. It was better to face it head-on.

With that, Lachlan exited the hall together with Howard.